

AMENDED IN SENATE JANUARY 25, 2006

SENATE BILL

No. 685

Introduced by Senator Kehoe Soto

February 22, 2005

An act to ~~add Section 15202.05 to the Government~~ *amend Section 13159.1 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to homicide trials public safety.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 685, as amended, ~~Kehoe Soto. Homicide trial costs State Fire Marshal: firefighting training and curriculum: criteria development.~~

Existing law directs the State Fire Marshal to establish training requirements and a curriculum that include criteria recommended by the Emergency Response Training Advisory Committee, as specified.

This bill would authorize the State Fire Marshal to contract with the California Firefighter Joint Apprenticeship Program for the development of curriculum criteria; the cost of the contract could not exceed the cost of using state personnel to develop the content criteria.

~~The law that was operative until January 1, 2005, provided several formulas, based on county population, for determining the amounts that the Controller would reimburse counties for the costs of homicide trials. Existing law, operative January 1, 2005, provides one formula for all counties, regardless of population, for the reimbursement of the costs of homicide trials.~~

~~This bill would provide that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Controller shall continue to reimburse qualified counties, as defined, for homicide trial costs incurred between July 10, 2000, and December 31, 2004, under the law operative until January 1, 2005.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 *SECTION 1. Section 13159.1 of the Health and Safety Code*
2 *is amended to read:*

3 13159.1. (a) The State Fire Marshal shall establish additional
4 training standards that include the criteria for curriculum content
5 recommended by the Emergency Response Training Advisory
6 Committee established pursuant to Section 8588.10 of the
7 Government Code, involving the responsibilities of first responders
8 to terrorism incidents and to address the training needs of those
9 identified as first responders.

10 (b) Every paid and volunteer firefighter assigned to field duties
11 in a state or local fire department or fire protection or firefighting
12 agency may receive the appropriate training described in this
13 section. Pertinent training previously completed by any
14 jurisdiction's firefighters and meeting the training standards of
15 this section may be submitted to the State Fire Marshal to assess
16 its content and determine whether it meets the training requirements
17 prescribed by the State Fire Marshal.

18 (c) *The State Fire Marshal may contract with the California*
19 *Firefighter Joint Apprenticeship Program for the development of*
20 *the curriculum content criteria specified in subdivision (a). The*
21 *cost of the contract may not exceed the cost of using state personnel*
22 *to develop the curriculum content criteria.*

23 ~~SECTION 1. Section 15202.5 is added to the Government~~
24 ~~Code, to read:~~

25 ~~15202.5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the~~
26 ~~Controller shall continue to reimburse qualified counties for their~~
27 ~~homicide trial costs incurred between July 10, 2000, and December~~
28 ~~31, 2004, pursuant to Section 15202 of the Government Code, as~~
29 ~~that section read on December 31, 2004.~~

30 ~~As used in this section, "qualified county" means a county that~~
31 ~~met the repayment threshold prior to January 1, 2005.~~